

## DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

Bethel Literary and Historical Association Rounding Out the Most Brilliant Season in its nineteen Years of Existence—The Debt Washing on Owes to Prof. Richards Announcement.

Bethel Literary and Historical Association is rounding out the most successful and in the truest sense the most profitable season it has enjoyed in its nineteen years of existence. Almost alone Prof. W. H. Richards has administered the office of President—not that he has lacked support, encouragement and sympathy—but because the broad plan of work laid out was so thoroughly his, and its proper execution depended so completely upon his sagacity, energy and application, that the official board has been more than content to endorse his every suggestion and action and back him up at every turn with the fine force of their moral and financial strength. Thus compactness of organization, intellectual affinity, and a level headed executive have combined to assure Bethel's preminence among the Afro American literary associations of the country, and largely augment its power for good. The attendance has been excellent, no matter what the attraction or the character of the master, for the people have come to reserve Tuesday nights for Bethel running no risk of missing what they know will be a treat of the richest variety. As an educator on general lines Bethel occupies a place in this community not less highly honored than Howard University. Prof. Richards cannot be too heartily commended for his signal services during the past two years, and all join in the hope that he will accept a reelection to the presidency on the 8th of May.

For the remainder of the season the following schedule is announced:

April 4.—Topic—The Negro. (a) In Africa—Rev. Albert P. Miller, Sometime Missionary to Africa. (b) In the West Indies—Mr. Walter B. Hayson. (c) In South America—Rev. Alexander C. Garner. (d) His Probable Future in the United States. Five minute voluntary addresses.

May 1.—Topic—Basis of Progress. 1. Agriculture—Prof. Wm. H. H. Hart. 2. Industry—Hon. Henry P. Cheatham. 3. Commerce—Hon. Judson W. Lyons.

May 8.—Address. Prof. James B. Dudley, President Agricultural and Mechanical College, Greensboro, N. C. Election of Officers.

May 15.—Topic—Lessons From the Life of Dr. J. C. Price. Hon. John C. Dancy.

May 23.—Closing Address—Professor Booker T. Washington, Principal Tuskegee (Ala.) Normal and Industrial Institute.

## New Blood in the Oratorical Field.

The recent flood of dinners has brought to the fore quite a number of new orators. Everybody knows the capabilities of the men who have been with us all these years, and upon them, comment is unnecessary. But the newer school deserve especial mention and praise. At the Cooper dinner Lieut. F. H. R. Clarke, captivated his hearers by a smooth and thoughtful delivery. At the Chase dinner, laurels were heaped upon Dr. C. C. Stewart's fine word-painting and W. F. Pollard's clean cut logic. At the Thompson dinner the surprises were J. C. Campbell, West Virginia; J. T. Haskins, of Virginia; E. R. Gaither, of New Jersey,—all eloquent and impassioned speakers—while Mr. H. Y. Arnett put a man's hand roof on his already brilliant reputation as an orator of the classic school.

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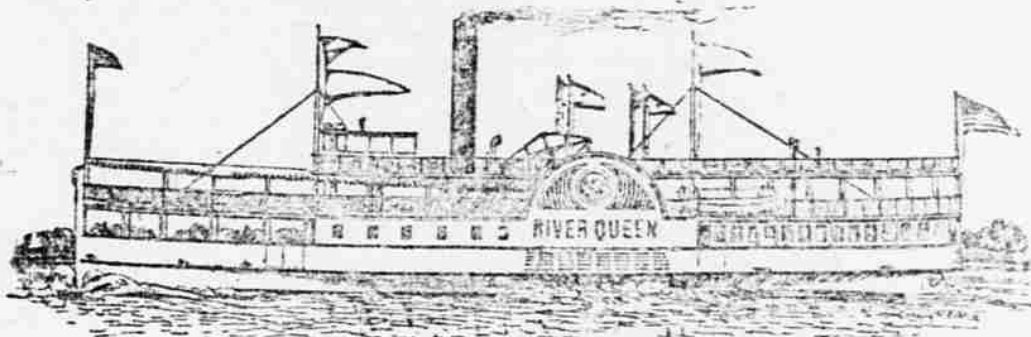
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